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I'm tired of seeing multi-billion dollar companies break the law. As the U.S Department of Justice, you are among the few organizations that can afford to take on a company of this size. I have seen company after company break the law and continue to do so because they now that the benefits of doing so out weight the cost. As long as a company can make more in revenues from illegal actions than they will lose do to a settlement and litigation, companies will continue to exercise poor decisions that break the law and eventually harm the consumer, environment of the nature of a free market economy (such as Microsoft's case). In my mind that makes the DOJ directly responsible for protecting my rights as a consumer in a free market economy to be able to purchase a superior product at a fair MARKET VALUE. It is your job to make sure that a company that chooses to break the law to build up its bottom line will pay more for doing so than they would make from the illegal actions. In short it is your responsibility to ensure that companies WILL PAY MORE for breaking the law than they will gain from their actions, the cost MUST out weight the benefits.

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